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March 1 Cattle on Feed

Iowa: There were 955,000 cattle on feed for the slaughter market in all feedlots in Iowa on March 1, 2005, down 1 percent from February 1, 2005 and down 5 percent from March 1, 2004. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head had 465,000 head on feed, unchanged from last month, but up 15 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head had 490,000 head on feed, down 1 percent and 18 percent from last month and last year, respectively.

Placements during February totaled 97,000 head, down 41 percent and 16 percent from last month and last year, respectively. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head placed 57,000 head, a decrease of 26 percent and 7 percent from last month and last year, respectively. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head placed 40,000 head, down 54 percent and 27 percent from last month and last year, respectively.

Marketings for February were 94,000 head, down 19 percent and 1 percent from last month and last year, respectively. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head marketed 55,000 head, down 8 percent from last month, but up 38 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head marketed 39,000 head, down 30 percent and 29 percent from last month and last year, respectively. Other disappearance totaled 8,000 head.

United States: Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.2 million head on March 1, 2005. The inventory was 2 percent above March 1, 2004 and 6 percent above March 1, 2003.

Placements in feedlots during February totaled 1.52 million, 6 percent below 2004 and 8 percent below 2003. This is the second lowest placements for the month of February since the series began in 1996. Net placements were 1.45 million. During February, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 277,000, 600-699 pounds were 308,000, 700-799 pounds were 526,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 412,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during February totaled 1.63 million, 4 percent below 2004 and 6 percent below 2003. This is the lowest fed cattle marketings for the month of February since the series began in 1996.

Other disappearance totaled 76,000 during February, 10 percent above 2004 and 7 percent above 2003.

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements and Marketings by Month, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots $^{\,1}$

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State	Cattle on Feed March 1			Placements during February			Marketings during February			February Disappearance other than Slaughter ²		
	2004	2005	'05 as % of '04	2004	2005	'05 as % of '04	2004	2005	'05 as % of '04	2004	2005	'05 as % of '04
	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	Percent	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	Percent	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	Percent	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	Percent
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US	10,987	11,152	102	1,612	1,523	94	1,694	1,634	96	69	76	110

¹ Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

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Includes death loss, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

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Item	Lots 1,000+ Head	Lots Less than 1,000 Head	All Lots							
	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	1,000 Head							
Cattle on Feed, February 1, 2005 February Placements February Marketings February Other Disappearance	465 57 55 2	495 40 39 6	960 97 94 8							
Cattle on Feed, March 1, 2005	465	490	955							